



About the Cost of Gas Adjustment

- The Total Cost of Gas is the cost the company pays for the gas they provide to customers.
- Utility companies are allowed to pass on the cost of gas to customers and they do not make a profit on the gas itself.
- The Cost of Gas is charged on customers' bills for each dekatherm of gas consumed.

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Total Cost of Gas per dekatherm

| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
|-----------|----------|----------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| January | \$7.643 | \$9.294 | \$6.618 | \$6.33 | \$7.344 | \$4.741 | \$5.111 | \$4.976 |
| February | \$7.643 | \$10.252 | \$5.864 | \$7.377 | \$7.344 | \$6.075 | \$5.268 | \$4.417 |
| March | \$7.643 | \$8.641 | \$7.143 | \$8.027 | \$6.125 | \$6.075 | \$5.434 | \$3.898 |
| April | \$7.418 | \$7.607 | \$7.143 | \$8.857 | \$5.609 | \$5.550 | \$5.120 | \$3.760 |
| May | \$8.205 | \$7.278 | \$5.501 | \$9.281 | \$5.202 | \$4.617 | \$5.395 | \$4.012 |
| June | \$7.721 | \$7.278 | \$6.302 | \$10.514 | \$4.989 | \$4.617 | \$5.395 | \$3.075 |
| July | \$7.076 | \$6.413 | \$5.209 | \$10.514 | \$5.220 | \$4.617 | \$5.395 | |
| August | \$7.58 | \$6.625 | \$5.209 | \$11.263 | \$5.361 | \$5.091 | \$5.395 | |
| September | \$7.58 | \$7.429 | \$5.209 | \$9.042 | \$5.489 | \$4.807 | \$5.395 | |
| October | \$9.399 | \$6.132 | \$3.693 | \$5.512 | \$3.614 | \$4.290 | \$5.135 | |
| November | \$11.392 | \$4.131 | \$2.934 | \$6.655 | \$4.561 | \$4.933 | \$5.135 | |
| December | \$11.581 | \$6.618 | \$4.612 | \$6.365 | \$4.561 | \$4.629 | \$4.976 | |

MDU Residential Bill Comparison

(Compares differences in bill amounts due to change in Cost of Gas Adjustments)

| Month | Usage | Difference from previous month | Difference from one year ago |
|----------------|-------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| June 2012 | 3dk | \$-2.81 | \$-6.96 |
| May 2012 | 5dk | \$1.26 | \$-6.92 |
| April 2012 | 8dk | \$-1.10 | \$-10.88 |
| March 2012 | 13dk | \$-6.75 | \$-19.97 |
| February 2012 | 13dk | \$-7.27 | \$-11.06 |
| January 2012 | 17dk | \$0.00 | \$-2.30 |
| December 2011 | 15dk | \$-2.39 | \$5.21 |
| November 2011 | 11dk | \$0.00 | \$2.22 |
| October 2011 | 7dk | \$-1.82 | \$5.92 |
| September 2011 | 4dk | \$0.00 | \$2.35 |
| August 2011 | 2dk | \$0.00 | \$0.61 |
| July 2011 | 2dk | \$0.00 | \$1.56 |
| June 2011 | 3dk | \$0.00 | \$2.33 |
| May 2011 | 5dk | \$1.38 | \$3.89 |
| April 2011 | 8dk | \$-2.51 | \$-3.44 |
| March 2011 | 13dk | \$2.16 | \$-8.33 |
| February 2011 | 13dk | \$2.04 | \$-10.49 |

